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The latest news from the front is that Old Ark is making preparations to incorporate Marion.

We fail to understand why our Latta friends did not take in Marion and Dillon while they were extending their corporate limits in order that they might have a Greater Latta.

It may be worth while to observe that the general assembly did not include in the supply bill that \$6,000 for the survey of Marion county which caused such a roar in the recent campaign and which the citizens of Dillon had to pay. It may be worth while, we say, for the voters to observe and remember these things.

The Fort Mill Times gives a ring of good reasons why the general assembly should have passed a safety match law, but neglected to give the most important one: i. e., it would annul the thread-bare rat arm when investigations are made and save the rodent army from lots of calumny.

As the Columbia State, sentiment in Spartanburg was not in favor of suppressing illegal traffic in liquor. Point Co. could be hundreds of tigers. If the prohibition of naval forces on a county like are other there will be a thousand out bit dealers in that county. It is not to measure Spartanburg, when sentiment America's superment utterly differ? Monday the best that circumstances as the "common sense will permit?" of, indeed? Those who most force prohibition on Charles- probably will never learn it, out it is the fact that the blind tigers would be quite delighted to have them succeed.—Charleston Post.

If sentiment in Charleston is not in favor of suppressing illegal traffic in liquor" then prohibition is not what Charleston needs. What she needs is more schools and churches, more missionaries and other great forces that make for enlightenment and good citizenship. We believe in foreign missions, but let's not send more money into foreign lands. Missionary work, like charity, ought to begin at home.

### Magazines.

The following magazines are on sale at The Herald Book Store: Cosmopolitan, Munsey, Strand, Pearsons, Everybodys, Review of Reviews, Hamptons, Delineator, Ladies Home Journal and Woman's Home Companion. These magazines are kept on sale at all times at news stand prices.

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## WASHINGTON LETTER

### News From Our Busy Capital

A New Jersey man has been killed by taking a drink of water. Such a calamity as this has never occurred in Kentucky.

The Springfield Union wants to know how a man sixty five years old could have voted for Lincoln. We don't know, but we are acquainted with women who are only thirty years old and were born before the war.

The fact that it is necessary to deepen a section of the Panama Canal serves to emphasize the difference between our Navy now and the Navy of Lincoln's time when it was said the American fleet could go anywhere the land was a little damp.

A Chicago statesman wants to have an obligatory prefix to the names of all men that will show whether they are married men or bachelors. In this day when all the married men live like bachelors and all bachelors live like married men some such designation would be useful if not necessary.

Why organize conventions, national, continental and international for the preservation of natural resources without removing prohibitive tariffs on iron, steel, coal, and lumber. The removal of these tariffs would protect these natural sources more than all the speeches and messages that Mr. Roosevelt and all the activities of the states and of Forester Pinchots.

As long as people North and South have ancestors and memory the Civil War with its antagonisms and resentments will survive. They will be perpetuated in a thousand ways. Take for example the perpetuation of the Revolutionary War in the silly organizations of the Colonial Dames and the Daughters of the Revolution. Christianity may teach to forgive a brother's offense seventy times seven but human nature North of Mason and Dixon's line will continue to hang Jeff Davis on a sour apple tree and South of the line they will build monuments to wirz and attempt to install the monument of Lee in the Capitol at Washington. This is not good policy. It is not statesmanship, but it is the human nature.

The Interoceanic Canal proposition at Panama is apparently again settled and the lock type of Canal is the one adopted, favored by the President, the President elect, the distinguished engineers who accompanied Mr. Taft thither and the Congressional group that has recently returned from Panama. The party that accompanied Mr. Joseph Pulitzer, editor of the New York World, has not yet been heard from but the fact that the lock type of Canal can be built in half the time and at a trifle less cost (about forty millions of dollars), that it will afford between the terminal of the canal a wide sweet water lake in which the salt soaked vessels can anchor and be scraped and where the largest ships can easily pass each other are arguments largely in favor of the plan adopted. The building of the Canal has been put off too long. If it is to be done it were well that it be done quickly. The Pacific coast is clamoring for a big fleet as a picket line between San Francisco, Seattle and Los Angeles on this side and Yokohama, Tokio and Osaka on the other side. It will be much more economical to shift our fleet from our Atlantic coast to our Pacific border or vice versa when necessary than to keep up big naval establishments on both our Eastern and our Western littoral.

The Oregon Senate has passed a bill restricting marriage to persons whose good health has been certified to by physicians. This is doubtless a step in the right direction and it will probably be followed sooner or later by the Legislatures of states apparently less progressive than that of Oregon. It is the application in a mild and limited form of the knowledge that breeders have exercised for the improvement of their animals for centuries, and that nature has used since the foundation of the world in the law of the survival of the fittest. Civilization, and artificial social conditions have interfered with and to a great extent negated this law with results in many instances of degeneracy. We have made great progress in science and in material things, but it would be difficult to show the genus homo physically or intellectually has been improved in the last three thousand years. There are evidences that in Greece and Rome and Egypt the quality of brain and brawn was as good in extinct civilizations as they are in our own. We have greatly improved the equine, bovine, canine and other species of the animal kingdom by intelligent breeding. The law is perfectly understood. Is it not time that it should in some way be applied to the higher animal?

### A Much Located Citizen.

Mr. G. E. Rancke and daughter, Miss Alma, returned Monday evening from a visit to Mrs. Rancke's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Burns, near Page's Mill, S. C. Mr. Burns enjoys—if there is any particular enjoyment in paying taxes in so many different places—the unique distinction of living in two states, two counties and four townships. His residence is in Robeson county, White House township, and his barns are in Thompson township, same county; his cotton gin and grist mill are in South Carolina, Marion county, Hillsboro township, and his pasture is in Carmichael township, same county.—Robesonian.

Mr. F. Mac. Curtis arrived in town Friday night with his bride, formerly Miss Ada Harbottle, to whom he was married on the 23rd. instant at Charlottesville, Va. Quite a number of the friends of the young couple met them at the train and they were escorted to the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. O'Ferrall where they will reside. After the ceremony at Charlottesville, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis went to Ninety Six where they spent a few days with the groom's sister, Mrs. H. S. Blizzard. The bride is one of Virginia's most accomplished daughters and has legions of friends here who gladly welcome her back to Dillon.

Florine, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Fass, died Tuesday and was buried the day following at Florence. The little one had never been in good health, although everything known to medical science had been done by the fond parents to restore its vitality and prolong its life. Mr. and Mrs. Fass have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

The Mason and Newcombe Co. are booked for three nights at the Dillon Opera House, beginning March 8th. This is a clever company of artists playing in drama and comedy and they have been making big hits in Charleston, Columbia, Florence and other big cities. Dillon play goers have something good in store as this company seldom plays a town under 10,000 inhabitants.

### Legal Blanks.

The following legal blanks are for sale at The Herald Book Store: Planter's contracts. Liens on crop. Mortgages. Titles to real estate. Bills of Sale. Arrest Warrants. Commitment blanks. Appearance Recognizance.

## THE NEW RAILROAD.

Business Men Pledge Themselves to Give a Depot Site. Several Locations Under Consideration. Railroad Will Come in Below Oil Mill: Wants Right-of-Way to Cotton Mills.

The only thing that stands in the way of the new railroad is the right-of-way from Clip to Dillon. The builders asked for a depot site and a right-of-way from two miles this side of Clip. This first request has been granted and the committee in charge have received assurances from the land owners along the proposed route that the right-of-way will be given. There was a meeting of the men interested at the Council Chamber a few days ago and after a brief discussion of the subject a paper was drawn up and each man present signed the agreement pledging the depot site to the new railroad. The signatures on the paper represented \$1,000,000 worth of property and as the depot site only calls for an outlay of \$5,000 that ought to be assurance enough that the site will be given.

There are several locations under consideration. The railroad people want the A. K. Parham property on West R. R. Avenue. This property has been offered for \$5,000. The W. C. Bracy block has also been offered at \$11,500. The other sites under consideration are half a block of land near the oil tank and the vacant lot between the Bracy block and the A. K. Parham property. If either of these locations is accepted the railroad will ask for a right-of-way through some street, down to the cotton mills. They have agreed to run a spur track to the oil mill.

The railroad people, it is understood, are partial to the Parham property or the Bracy block. Either location would put them near the A. C. L. passenger station and would greatly facilitate the transferring of passengers and baggage. But the only objection to either of these locations would be the getting in or out of their trains. They would have to back their trains in or out from the main line. If they accept the location near the oil tank the main line would cross the Atlantic Coast Line near that point and the spur track could be run up to the cotton mills without using either of the main thoroughfares.

However as the depot site has already been pledged the chances are that the railroad will be built on to Dillon. The men behind the movement mean business.

Since the above was written it has been learned that J. W. Dillon and Son have given the vacant lot in below the Methodist church for the depot site. In addition to giving the depot site the Messrs. Dillon have given the railroad the right-of-way through their lands in and out of town. This is one of the best locations that could be secured and the action of the Messrs. Dillon in contributing it free of charge as an inducement for the railroad to come to Dillon is greatly appreciated by the public. The depot matter being disposed of there is every reason to believe that Dillon will soon have another railroad.



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